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(b) the number of applications pending on that date for service connections for agricultural purposes; and

(c) how many service connections have been given after installation of this sub-station?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : (a) 16th December 1964.

(b) & (c) There were no applications pending. I wish to add that subsequent to 16th December 1964, eight applications have been received, and a scheme is being worked out.

Demurrage for not taking delivery of foodgrains

MR. CHAIRMAN : The hon. Member Sri M. Sankaralingam Pillai is not in his seat. So, question No. 77 and the answer thereto will be printed in the Official Report of the proceedings.

* 77 *Q.*—SRI M. SANKARALINGAM PILLAI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Food be pleased to state—

(a) the amount paid by the Government by way of demurrage for not taking delivery of the foodgrains intended for Kanyakumari district after food rationing was introduced; and

(b) the reasons for the loss?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : (a) An amount of Rs. 9,784.60 has been paid towards demurrage and wharfage due to delay in lifting the stocks intended for Kanyakumari district.

(b) As the whole of the Kanyakumari district is not connected by rail, the stocks had to be transported by lorries. Lorries were not readily available as they were engaged by the Police for maintenance of law and order due to widespread disturbances in connection with the anti-Hindi agitation. Further, the Railway authorities insisted on lifting the stocks then and there from the goodsyard, as, according to them, the stocks had to be cleared from the wagons within five hours after the arrival of the wagons.

Government buildings

* 78 *Q.*—SRI M. RAJAH IYER : Will the Hon. the Minister for Food be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any order restraining the inscription of the names of the contractors, who constructed the buildings, in tablets installed in Government buildings; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government have examined the question of standardising of tablets to be unveiled on the occasion like foundation stone-laying ceremony, etc., and have decided that there shall be two tablets for each completed project work or building work, viz.,